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## **Funding for Local Coordinating Councils to Address Substance Abuse Now Available**

INDIANAPOLIS – The Indiana Criminal Justice Institute (ICJI) is now accepting applications for funding to help the Local Coordinating Councils (LCCs) address substance abuse and criminal justice efforts at the county level. Funding is provided through the State Drug Free Fund, and grant applications will be accepted thru 11:59 p.m., Monday October 3, 2016.

The State Drug Free Fund was established by the Indiana Legislature in 1989 to promote comprehensive alcohol and drug abuse efforts. The fund supplements state and federal funding to coordinate treatment, prevention and criminal justice efforts. The State Drug Free Fund is funded through the State User Fee Fund, which is comprised of local offender fees.

State Drug Free funding focuses on services or activities included in the LCCs Comprehensive Community Plans, which are approved by ICJI. Supported programs include those that are evidence-based programs and strategies. Applications submitted must show how the proposed programs and services will be coordinated with, and not supplant, local, state or federal funding.

ICJI is continually looking for new and innovative programs that support a decrease in substance abuse and use. Allowable costs include: implementation of evidence-based prevention programs for youth, environmental strategies designed to create community awareness, education and to change attitudes regarding substance abuse and use. Treatment services for youth and adults not currently funded through other state or federal funds, and law enforcement programs designed to reduce the supply of available drugs.

**Please note – applicants must be a Local Coordinating Council.**

State Drug Free Fund grant applications are accepted through the Egrants online application process, found at <https://egrants.cji.in.gov>. Applicants must be registered in Egrants, and first time registrants can visit the Egrants website and click on the Register button located on the front page. Failure to register will prevent applicants from obtaining access to the application system and registration could take several days for first time registrants. ICJI is not responsible for applicants who fail to submit a timely application due to technical difficulties that occur within 48 hours of the deadline. Late and/or incomplete applications and applications submitted through any means other than Egrants, will not be considered for funding.

For more information on LCCs or to learn more about Indiana's efforts to curb substance abuse, please visit: <http://in.gov/cji/2330.htm>